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1. Army elements, who are concerned over the machinations of a small group of lower-echelon military men working with cabinet members to plot an eventual change in the government, have begun working on a plan to nullify these efforts. The objectives of this plan, which they propose to develop as quickly as possible, are as follows:
 - a. To establish a weekly periodical that has no ostensible connection with the government but will in fact present the official picture as opposed to the aims of the conniving group.
 - b. To develop and maintain, in an indirect manner, a close working agreement with student and labor leaders.
2. With regard to the publication of the newspaper, it is hoped that an arrangement can be made with government agencies, such as the national theatres, Department of Adult Education, Department of Labor, and the Census Bureau, to carry their advertising and bulletins and thus provide a relatively certain source of income. The content of the paper will include articles of national interest furnished by the Secretary of Information and press secretaries of the various government departments; articles from labor publications; economic, social, and political items of general interest; and a full page devoted to material of value to labor and student organizations.
3. In the campaign to influence worker and student elements, the pages of the periodical will be open to any adherents of these groups who wish to express themselves on issues favorable to the Army cause. Much emphasis will be placed on gaining the confidence of key student leaders, who are in a position to wield authority in that segment of the country's political make-up.

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